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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**VERMILLION COUNTY DRUG TRAFFICKER SENTENCED
IN CONNECTION WITH DIABLOS CASE**

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that CHARLES WRIGHT, 43, Rosedale, Indiana, was sentenced to 10 years imprisonment yesterday by U.S. District Judge Larry J. McKinney following his guilty plea to conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine. This case was the result of an 18 month investigation by the Drug Enforcement Administration, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Evansville Police Department, Vincennes Police Department, Terre Haute Police Department, Gibson County Sheriff's Department, and Vigo County Sheriff's Department.

WRIGHT was a middle-level methamphetamine distributor for a methamphetamine trafficking organization operating in western Indiana headed by Oscar McGraw and which

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centered around the Diablos Motorcycle Gang. From January 2001 through June 26, 2002, McGraw's organization distributed approximately 600 pounds of methamphetamine in western Indiana with a street value of approximately \$17 million.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Bradley A. Blackington, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge McKinney also imposed five years supervised release following WRIGHT's release from imprisonment. During the period of supervised release, WRIGHT must get drug treatment.

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